COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF RATTLESNAKE RIDGE)
WATER DISTRICT OF CARTER, LAWRENCE AND)
ELLIOTT COUNTIES, KENTUCKY, FOR A) CASE NO.
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND) 95-482
NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT AND FINANCE)
PURSUANT TO KRS 278.023

ORDER

On October 27, 1995, Rattlesnake Ridge Water District ("Rattlesnake Ridge") filed an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a \$1,490,000 waterworks improvement project and for approval of its plan of financing for this project. This project will provide service to 247 additional customers. Project funding includes a \$545,000 bond issue to be purchased pursuant to an agreement with the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service ("RUS") formerly known as the Rural Economic and Community Development Service, a \$374,200 grant from RUS, a \$539,600 Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), and \$31,200 from applicants for service in the proposed project area.

Rattlesnake Ridge's application was made pursuant to KRS 278.023, which requires the Commission to accept agreements between water utilities and the U. S. Department of Agriculture or the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and to issue the necessary orders to implement the terms of such agreements within

30 days of satisfactory completion of the minimum filing requirements. Given that minimum filing requirements were met in this case on October 27, 1995, KRS 278.023 does not grant the Commission any discretionary authority to modify or reject any portion of this agreement.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Rattlesnake Ridge is hereby granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction project.
- 2. Rattlesnake Ridge's proposed plan of financing with RUS and HUD is accepted.
- 3. Rattlesnake Ridge is authorized to issue bonds not to exceed \$545,000 to be held or insured by RUS.
- 4. Rattlesnake Ridge shall file a copy of the "as-built" drawings and a certified statement that the construction has been satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract plans and specifications within 60 days of the substantial completion of the construction certificated herein.
- 5. Rattlesnake Ridge shall monitor the adequacies of the expanded water distribution system after construction. If the level of service is inadequate or declining or the pressure to any customer falls outside the requirements of 807 KAR 5:066, Section 5(1), Rattlesnake Ridge shall take immediate action to bring the system into compliance with Commission regulations.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed a warranty of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, or any agency thereof, of the financing herein accepted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 9th day of November, 1995.

PUBLIC SERVICE CONNISSION

chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

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